

Prayer Requests

Healing and Comfort

Ernie Brown
Jeremiah Willard
Ruth Ann Willard
Chris Tvrdik
Cheryl Smith

Blessings/Guidance

Concordia University
Paul & Kristin Humber

Shut ins

Corene Diedrich

The Week Ahead

SUNDAY, March 24

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship
Voters meeting
Noon Eritrean Worship

MONDAY, March 25

TUESDAY, March 26

WEDNESDAY, March 27

6:30 P.M. Lent Worship

THURSDAY, March 28

7:00 P.M. Men's Club meeting

FRIDAY, March 29

SATURDAY, March 30

SUNDAY, March 31

8:00 A.M. Traditional Worship w/Communion
9:15 A.M. Education Hour
10:30 A.M. Contemporary Worship w/Communion
Noon Eritrean Worship

Upcoming Birthdays, Feasts & Commemoration

March 24:

March 25: *The Annunciation of Our Lord*

March 26: Miriam Carter

March 27: Joshua Yernberg

March 28: Earl Berg, Ryan LeClair-Sura

March 29: Addy Munoz, Hannah Krieg, Russ Van Dassar

March 30: B.J. Brown, Noah Habtezgi

March 31: *Joseph, Patriarch*

St. Stephanus Lutheran Church
Preaching the Gospel of Jesus Christ for 125 Years

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with Jesus Christ and Each Other

March 24, 2019



March contact person: Lu Clemmensen

Lu Clemmensen, Elizabeth Asefa, Dan Baker, Senait Berhe, Mary & Ronald Bisping, Matt & Jennifer Caquelin, Matt & Tiffany Hanan, Arnold Johnson & Eileen Vierow, Doug Johnson, Chou Kue, Amarti Maskalo



Welcome Visitors

Please sign the attendance register. If you desire a call from the pastor or are interested in membership, please note that on the attendance register.

Our Mission Statement:

To proclaim the gospel through word and sacrament to our membership, our communities and our world.

Our Vision:

Connecting people with Jesus Christ and each other through worship, learning and service.

About Communion:

Non-alcoholic wine is offered in the center of the communion trays. It is distinctly lighter than the surrounding wine. Children who have not received instruction are invited to the rail to receive a blessing. Visitors are welcomed to the rail if you join us in confessing that the Lord gives not only bread and wine, but His very Body and Blood to eat and drink for the forgiveness of our sins and to strengthen our union with Him and one another. Our Lord invites to this table those who (1) trust his words, (2) repent of all sins and (3) set aside any refusal to forgive and love as He has forgiven and loves us.

Prayers:

You are invited to fill out a prayer card located in the pew. Pastor will gather these cards before the prayers of the church. Please print your prayer requests.

Sunday Services:

Traditional Worship 8:00 A.M.
Education Hour 9:15 AM
Contemporary Worship 10:30 A.M.
Holy Communion at both services on the 1st, 3rd and 5th Sunday of each month.
Eritrean Service 12 Noon



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OFFICE HOURS:
Monday to Friday 9 AM to 1 PM
Bulletin Deadline: 11 AM Wed.

March 24 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Ana & Micah Thompson
(10:30) Joshua Langemo & Lexi Miller
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker **(10:30)** Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) **(10:30)**
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan **(10:30)** Redazgi Habtezgi
Greeters: (8:00) Marie Benson & B.J. Brown
(10:30) Janine, Marty & Zach Langemo
Lector: (8:00) Lois Thur **(10:30)** Janine Langemo
Music: (8:00) Organist: Stella O'Neill **(10:30)** Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Scott Goodrich **(10:30)** Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) Roger Binning, Philip Preuss, Walt & Reba Peterson
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Noah Miller, Steve Sohn, Jeff Wussler



Altar
Flowers

Today's Altar flowers are given by:

Lee & Lois Bruss, remembering son Stevens baptism day,
great grandson Wesley's 3rd birthday and daughter Ann's birthday
to God be the glory!

Last Week's Contributions:

March 17 8:00 (63) 10:30 (104)

Current - \$8602.04	Missions - \$12.00
Concordia - \$10.00	Jonathan House restricted donation - \$150.00
Lent - \$262.00	Christian Ed. - \$1.25
20x20- \$5.00	Special Thanks - \$100.00
Sunday School - \$2.72	Total - \$9145.29 (\$7,200 needed weekly)

March 31 Worship Assistants

Preacher: Rev. Andrew Thompson
Acolytes: (8:00) Calvin Hanan & Christopher Schonebaum
(10:30) Savannah Caquelin & Emma Pagel
Caretaker: (8:00) Dan Baker **(10:30)** Judy Brinkman
Video Ministry: Jeff Johnson
Communion Assistants: (8:00) Matt Hanan, John Schonebaum, Russ VanDassor
(10:30) Erica Moore, Tricia Schmidt, Jeremiah Willard
Elder: (8:00) Matt Hanan **(10:30)** Keith Rennerfeldt
Greeters: (8:00) B.J. Brown & Dan Savard
(10:30) Judy Brinkman & Candy Pagel
Lector: (8:00) Dan Baker **(10:30)** Terianne Bender
Music: (8:00) Organist: Bruce Anderson **(10:30)** Worship Band
Soundboard: (8:00) Dan Savard **(10:30)** Leonard Miller
Ushers: (8:00) B.J. Brown, Collin Hanan, Walt & Reba Peterson
(10:30) Emmet Heck, Jon, Rich, Tarrie Culbert

Jonathan House Ministry

Shelter, Hope, and Healing for Asylum Seekers

Through generous prayers, donations, and support, the Lord has built a house where individuals fleeing from trauma and forced displacement may find rest as they rebuild their lives.

St. Stephanus has opportunities to partner with this ministry.

Opportunity for Prayer:

That residents would grow in language and communication skills in order to be able to advocate for themselves and enjoy relationships.

Transportation:

Volunteer to help provide transportation from the International Institute of Minnesota (located near the state fairgrounds) to the Blair house. The resident attends language classes M-Th.

English conversation: A volunteer to help provide supplemental English language practice through in-home or community activities.

For more information or to volunteer contact Cherie Fleischhacker 651-348-9051 or ckfle1@yahoo.com

To stay up to date on everything that is happening with this ministry you can: check the website at <https://iafr.org/11-projects/39-jonathan-house> like them on Facebook Jonathan House IAFR, or email with any questions at jonathanhouse@iafr.org

March Congregational Service Project:

Join us during our Lenten meal time on Wednesday, March 27th from 5:15-6:15P.M., as we come together as a community to serve others. We will make sandwiches for the 363 Sandwich project. 363 is a ministry of the Minneapolis Recreation Development. They deliver these sandwiches to homeless in Minneapolis 363 days a year.

Learn more about his ministry by watching this video: <https://www.facebook.com/watch/?v=484949895016560>

This ministry was also highlighted in the documentary, The Starfish Throwers. NBC Nightly News also ran a 2014 feature on Allan titled 'Sandwich Man' Delivers Helping of Hope to Hungry, and WCCO TV ran a story on 12/24 Homeless Christmas Eve The sandwich ingredients will be provided for by a grant from Thrivent. The manpower for putting them together will be provided for by you! ~Lynn Thompson~

Bible Study: will meet in the Fireside room.

A few years ago, due to a generous donation, we were able to purchase a new piano which was then placed in the Fireside Room. We have decided to move this piano up to the balcony to enable its use in worship, with the current (aged and well-worn) piano in the balcony replacing it in the Fireside Room. We are enlisting the services of a professional piano moving company to accomplish this task because of the number of flights involved and the sensitivity of the instruments, and hope to have it completed in the next few weeks. If you find yourself wishing to help support the financial impact of this move, all donations are welcome - just mark the donation as "piano" and it will be received appropriately. Thank you for your support! ~The Organ Bench~

Important dates: We have begun our Wednesday night worship at 6:30 P.M.

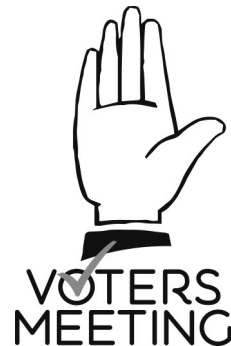
(March 27, April 3, 10)

April 14 Palm Sunday

April 18 Maundy Thursday

April 19 Good Friday

April 21 Easter Sunday



The Voter Meeting has been rescheduled for TODAY after the late service. Lunch will be provided.

Installation Service:

You are cordially invited to attend the installation service of Rev. Christopher Weber as pastor of St. Peter's Lutheran Church, 530 South Victoria St. St. Paul. The service will be held on Sunday, April 7, 2019, at 3:00 P.M. A reception meal will be held in the Fellowship Hall immediately following the service. All are welcome to attend!

Women's Spring Event

St. Paul Metro Zone LWML

Saturday April 13, 2019

Gathering Place Lutheran
3245 New Brighton Road
Arden Hills, MN 55112

Registration and light breakfast 9am
Program 9:30-11:30
Bible Study, LWML news, ingathering
\$5 registration plus offering for LWML

“Stronger Together”



Speaker: Pastor Ben Griffin LINC Twin Cities

We empower local leaders to start new ministries that engage unreached people groups.

Our goals are threefold:

- NEW LEADER DEVELOPMENT through customized training and mentoring.
- NEW MINISTRY STARTS targeting unreached and marginalized people groups.
- UNITING THE TWIN CITIES in prayer; bringing together a diversity of leaders from across the city.

Gifts from the Heart -- Toiletry Kits

Please provide travel sizes only:

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Lotion
- Bath soap
- Mouthwash
- Deodorant
- Toothbrush and toothpaste
- Razor and shaving cream

How to assemble Toiletry Kits Kits should be neatly wrapped in transparent wrap and gathered at the top with ribbon, string, or a twist tie. Please feel free to share some love by including a note of encouragement!

Respond by April 8, 2019 if you plan to presstpaulmetroz@mnslwml.org or 651 631 8956 Beth



St. Stephanus Men's Club Spaghetti Dinner is Saturday, April 6, 5-7 P.M.
Adult \$10.00 Children 5 to 12 \$5.00 Take out is available.

Thank you to everyone who donated to the St. Stephanus Men's Club in memory of Dennis Nuechterlein.

Cancer Companions, a nine-week support group, begins this Thursday afternoon.

The group meets from 1-2:30P.M. at Our Saviour's Lutheran Church, 674 Johnson Pkwy in St. Paul. The group is led by Kathy and Liz, both are cancer survivors. For more information, call Our Saviour's church office at 651-774-2396.



CA Dinner Auction: "Prost"

Celebrate Concordia Academy at "Prost," the 20th Annual CA Dinner Auction, held on April 13. It's like Oktoberfest in April, including German food and beverages, games, polka music by Mollie B and the Jim Busta Band, and live and silent auctions. Don't miss one of the most fun nights of the year, supporting CA's Scholarship Fund. Get details and reserve tickets at www.concordiaacademy.com/auction.

CA Summer Camps

Registration is now open for two dozen Concordia Academy summer camps for students entering Grades 3-12, including American Sign Language, Flag Football, Vision4Life Service, and Wrestling, as well as old favorites such as Basketball, CSI, Girls Choir, Soccer, Art, Theatre, Youth Worship Team, Softball, G3: Genuinely Great Girls, and more! Go to www.concordiaacademy.com/camps.